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...AND THE TRADITION CONTINUES - with the beginners group learning the dances of their Ukrainian ancestors.

First-ever Zabava just spectacular

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Elk Point's first-ever Zabava lit up the stage of the Elk Point Arts and Leisure Centre on Saturday evening, with a fabulous kaleidoscope of talent from Edmonton's famed Vohon Ukrainian Dance Ensemble, Innisfree Chudovyi's light-hearted adult dancers and two area dancers who are now part of MY Academy of St. Albert joining Elk Point's Metelytsia dancers to create a truly memorable event.

Sixteen members of the Vohon group opened the show with a fast-paced Polissian Tanetz that wowed the audience with both their lively steps and their elaborate costumes.

Next on the program were the Elk Point beginners group, Anton Bezpachuk, Colton Scott, Travis Petruk, Olivia Gardner and Emily Hammond, who were joined by two members of the senior group, Rhianna Bjorkman and Jorja Theriault as they hopped their joyful way through a Poltava dance entitled 'Little Frogs'.

A totally different interpretation of the Poltava came from the Innisfree dancers who, according to mistress of ceremonies Marushka, "all but one started dancing as adults, some of them being Ukrainian by choice, not by origin."

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New executive, membership category for Chamber

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Elk Point and District Chamber of Commerce is under new leadership, with Terri Hampson of Northern Lights Library System elected as the new president and Bob Ellacott of Cornerstone Co-op elected as vice president at the Feb. 7 Annual General Meeting. Treasurer Christine Fenton, who took over that role last November, and secretary Vicki Brooker will continue in those positions for another term.

Members were also quick to accept leadership roles on committees, Hampson taking on the Membership committee chair, former vice president Dwayne Yaremkevich chairing the fundraising committee, Jena Colbourne leading the promotion and communication committee, and Brooker continuing as tourism chair. All four committee chairs are eager to get projects underway and some have already planned meetings with their committees to discuss details.

General meetings will continue to be held at noon

on the first Wednesday of each month, but the new executive and committees may add some special events to the lineup in future months, with information sessions, guest speakers and other events of interest to the business community.

The need to increase interest in the chamber and attendance at meetings was also brought forward when the topic of membership fees was on the table. Each year, the chamber sets the following year's membership fees at their AGM, and for the past several years, have kept that fee at \$100, which was the case again at last week's meeting. However, an idea from several years back to add a smaller fee for individuals, home businesses and businesses with two or less workers, including the owner, was brought back for discussion, and this time was granted approval, with the fee set at \$50. Members asked themselves, "why wait for next year?" to offer the second category, and subsequently passed another motion to offer that category for this year's membership as well. Any members fitting in that category who have already paid will be given a

second year's membership at no extra charge.

The possibility of using the EcoCentre as a source of additional revenue was discussed briefly, with the chamber agreeing to determine the feasibility of some options, and to research the allowed occupancy numbers. A safety codes inspection had been suggested, but this was put on hold for the time being, until the chamber learns if the occupancy numbers are all that is required.

The membership also approved payment of the restoration costs that followed last spring's flooded basement.

The chamber has now sent out information to businesses regarding the Elk Point Volunteer Fire Department's need for members who are in town during the day to answer calls. It was noted, however, that a new fire chief has been chosen by the fire department to succeed Jordan Cousins, and that appointment will be ratified at the Feb. 12 meeting and will be the department's contact for potential volunteers after that time.

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Zabava

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Coming on stage with soup pots in hand, they danced and stirred their way through 'Baba's Borscht Cook-Off,' with the judge declaring herself the winner.

A much more solemn number came next, as former Metelytsia dancer Jaden Plaska and St. Paul's Coral Roche portrayed a battle-ravaged soldier, devastated by the loss of his friend, and a young girl who brought him flowers and hope for the future in their duet.

Back to a faster pace, the Vohon ladies swirled and whirled their way through their Bukovinian dance, before Elk Point's junior group, made up of Anna and Charlotte Henderson, Shyanne Klatt, Hadleigh and Evett Smereka, Brenden Scott and Jacob Petruk, romped their way through the Kozachok.

The Innisfree ladies returned with 'Tantsyuyvaty Na Shal', displaying some beautiful traditional shawls as they moved through a graceful Volyn dance.

Then it was the Vohon men's turn, as they took swords in hand for a traditional Cossack dance, battling their way through the steps of the 'Kosaky'.

Elk Point's intermediate group, Shaylyn Klatt, Avery Smereka, Dae

Smereka and Rylee Verenka, performed the 'Bukovynsky Show-off', followed by the Innisfree group with their traditional Volyn.

Solos by Jaden Plaska and Coral Roche showed off their new skills from the MY Academy, before Elk Point's seniors, Charlie and Hank Rogal, Sam Henderson, Jorja Theriault, Mykaela Verenka and Rhianna Bjorkman performed their enthusiastic Hopak, with energetic leaps, swirling skirts and flying ribbons.

Age, much less walkers, canes, knitting bags and exercise gear, is no barrier to Ukrainian Dance, the Innisfree group proved in their fun-loving 'Golden Girls Poltava' routine, although they had to rouse the eldest Baba from her nap when it was time to leave the stage!

Vohon's version of the Hopak, national dance of the Ukraine, filled the stage to overflowing with talented dancers in ornate costumes who celebrated not only their Ukrainian roots but the roots their ancestors have nurtured in welcoming Canadian soil over more than a century.

The performance, which followed a tasty meal featuring traditional dishes, was followed by dancing to the music of the Euphoria Band until the wee hours, in true Zabava tradition.



STYLE AND GRACE - the Intermediates dance the Bukovinian Show-off.

Provincials support 'great', just \$5,000 from goal

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Elk Point Minor Hockey is currently about \$5,000 away from their fundraising goal for the upcoming Bantam 'D' Provincials, which the Avalanche will host just over a month from now, on March 15 to 18.

"Lots of Elk Point and surrounding town businesses and community members have been great sponsors so far," reports tournament chair Candace Bendixen. "All the round robin, semi-final and gold medal games have been sponsored. This was a big hit - everyone wanted a game!"

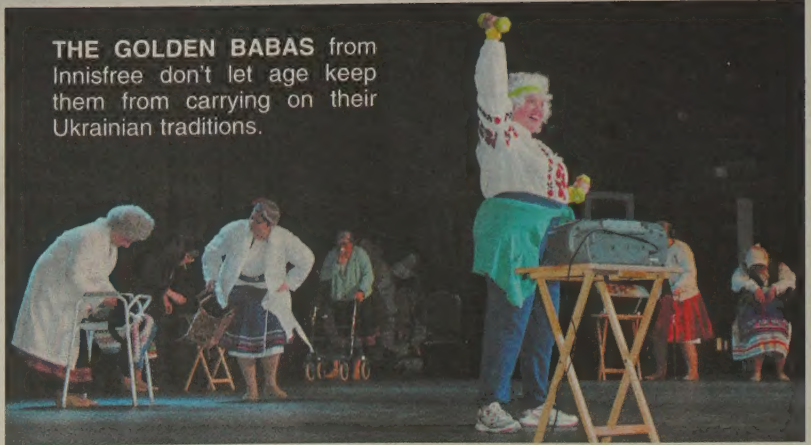
Player bags have also been spon-

sored, she notes. The deadline for the tournament program is Feb. 19, for anyone wanting to be part of it.

Volunteers for time box are still needed, and if anyone can take on this duty, please contact Doug Bassett at 780-724-4067.

Bendixen says the tournament banquet is going to be hosted at F. G. Miller High School and will be catered by the Empress, "and F. G. Miller has graciously agreed to set up the tables and chairs," another detail from the organizers' long list taken care of.

"We would like to get it out there that admission to the tournament is free, so everyone can come down and enjoy the games."



THE GOLDEN BABAS from Innisfree don't let age keep them from carrying on their Ukrainian traditions.



INNISFREE'S Tantsyuyvaty Na Shal.



SENIOR DANCERS perform the Hopak.



ELK POINT JUNIORS dance the Kozachok.

Load restrictions placed on Lea Park Bridge

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Word has been received from Alberta Transportation that maximum gross vehicle weight has been restricted on Lea Park Bridge, which crosses the North Saskatchewan River on Highway 897 north of Marwayne.

Alberta Transportation received a report on Jan. 31 that indicated significant damage had occurred to the west side of the bridge, with detailed inspection and an engineering analysis confirming the report. The bridge has currently been restricted to a maximum gross vehicle weight of 15 tonnes until further notice.

Large trucks are asked to use alter-

nate routes, such as Highway 893 south of Heinsburg or Highway 17 along the Alberta-Saskatchewan border. Vehicles under 15 tonnes, including school buses, are still able to use the bridge. Alternate arrangements have been made to ensure snow removal can be used on the bridge.

Temporary repairs are being designed to be completed by early March, weather permitting, and when complete, will remove the maximum weight restriction.

Design of permanent repairs has also begun and will be more challenging, likely involving replacement of several of the worst damaged truss members and repair of the less damaged members, with repairs hopefully to be complete by late 2018 if all goes well.



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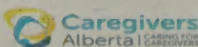
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TOP RESULTS - The 4-H members who took top honours at the district communications event, Sunday were (left to right) Senior members Kailey Wirsta and Cameron Kuzma, Intermediates Ravessa Fajzualli, Carson Dechaine, Rebecca Kotowich and Shaylyn Klatt, and Juniors Ethan Yaremko, Dawson Dechaine and Mercedes Trefanenko.

Kailey Wirsta, Shaylyn Klatt win District awards

VICKI BROOKER
Journal Contributor

The top speakers and presenters from seven 4-H clubs that make up the St. Paul District took part in further competition at their annual Communications Event, this year hosted by the St. Paul Horse Club at Portage College.

Three intermediate and one junior member gave presentations, while five senior, six intermediate and six junior speakers gave both prepared and impromptu speeches during the morning and early afternoon, impressing the judges with their efforts.

"I know how hard (public speaking) is," said Kaitlynn Hunter, who judged the junior participants with Patricia Mathiot and Leon Ward. "You guys killed it. Lots of you had cards you didn't rely on, it was awesome, you were comfortable up here and you had fun."

The Junior Presenter prize went to Ethan Yaremko of St. Paul 4-H Multi Club, who gave a very entertaining discourse on tie down calf roping, complete with horse, calf and all the equipment, entitled "No Time, No Time."

First place in Junior Speeches went to another St. Paul Multi member, Mercedes Trefanenko, who spoke on "The True Cool," who said that designer clothes and beauty don't define 'cool,'

but kindness, compassion and friendliness does. She added an impromptu on "My Favourite Day of the Year", her birthday, for the win.

Second place in the Junior division went to Dawson Dechaine of Boscombe Multi Club, who spoke on a tasty topic, "Popcorn," with an impromptu on "I Joined 4-H Because..."

Jove Boorse of Elk Point 4-H Multi Club, Katelynn Jacula of Goodridge 4-H, Annalise Morton of St. Paul Horse Club and Dayton Dechaine of St. Lina Beef Club also competed in the Junior division.

Lionel Romanchuk, who judged the Intermediates with Glenda Bristow and Tasia Owen, was "so impressed with you guys, to be able to conquer the fear of public speaking is very important," and noted that the "really large room with a small sound system" had given some of the speakers a difficult time.

First place in the Intermediate division demonstrations went to Rebecca Kotowich of St. Paul Multi Club with her informative discourse on "Sugar, Sugar," while second place went to Elk Point Multi Club member Shaylyn Klatt, who demonstrated how to create a freshwater environment for fish in "Splishy, Splashy. Sploosh." Noah Corbiere of Boscombe also gave a presentation.

Ravessa Fejzualli of St. Paul Multi

Club topped the Intermediate speakers with "I'm Not as Smarts as I Seem", discussing perception and reality, and following up with an impromptu on "Learning a New Skill." Second place went to Carson Dechaine of Boscombe, who gave an enthusiastic report on his Conservation Camp adventures at "Narrow Lake", and an impromptu on "Why I Don't Like Public Speaking."

Darianna Boorse, Elk Point Multi, Lexi Wirsta, Elk Point Beef, Joseph Bilodeau, Goodridge and Alayna Dechaine, St. Lina, also competed in the Intermediate division.

St. Paul Mayor Maureen Miller, who judged the Senior speakers along with Heather Stariosielski and Sharon Boorse, also had encouraging words, and said, "you all deserve a pat on the back." She praised their topics, which all focused on decision making and problem solving, and told them public speaking "is an asset today and in the

future" for all of them.

Kailey Wirsta of Elk Point Beef placed first in the Senior division, stating "It's Too Much!" as she spoke about the massive cost of post-secondary education and posed a solution, following up with three good reasons to have a cellphone in her impromptu. Second place went to Cameron Kuzma of St. Paul Multi, with "Feeding the Future," and asking if producers will be able to cope with a looming resource crisis, and adding an impromptu on "Who I Admire, and Why."

Benjamin Jacques of Boscombe, Marie Bilodeau of Goodridge and Taylor Dechaine of St. Lina also represented their clubs in the Senior division.

Ashley Hunter was mistress of ceremonies for the competition, with Teresa Boratynec and Jim Morton as tellers and timers, Janice Wirsta and Natalie Hunter as the impromptu tellers.



GOOD TANK KEEPING - Shaylyn Klatt demonstrates all the steps required to create a pleasant fresh water environment for a variety of fish.



THE JUDGES - MC Ashley Hunter introduces judges, left to right: Heather Stariosielski, Glenda Bristow, Sharon Boorse, Kaitlynn Hunter, Tasia Owen, Lionel Romanchuk, Leon Ward, Maureen Miller and Patricia Mathiot.

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EDITORIAL

Participation, success all due to family support

This past weekend, like many in our community, was a whirlwind of activity, with SPAA Senior High curling on Friday, Ukrainian Dance Club members participating in the Zabava on Saturday, 4-H District Communications competition on Sunday, and of course, hockey all weekend, most of those events including families from other surrounding communities as well.

Think of how many youngsters all these activities involve, and how many families spent the weekend traveling from event to event, with the parents encouraging their children to take part and to do well. It's obviously a family effort to belong to any of these groups, as well as the other organizations in the area that involve families.

Thanks to all the moms and dads, aunts, uncles and grandparents, not to mention big brothers and big sisters, who help to make this happen when they might have rather have had a lazy weekend at home.

Have a great Family Day weekend, everyone!

RECREATION CORNER

Free fun for all on Family Day

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Review Contributor

Once again, the Town of Elk Point is hosting Family Day activities at the A. G. Ross Arena on Family Day, February 19th. It's a free event, open for everyone to attend. There will be free skating and free lunch. The Town will be serving up burgers and drinks. This year we've teamed up with the Elk Point Early Childhood Development Committee (ECDC). They will be bringing in a photographer to take fun family photos. I'm sure you've all seen the photo booths at weddings with crazy props? Well, that's what ECDC will be bringing in, at no charge. So be sure to come out with your biggest smile (and the whole family).

Have you heard the Elk Point Bantam Avalanche are hosting provincials? It's so exciting for Minor Hockey to be able to host provincials two years in a row. If you're not up-to-date on how the Bantams have been doing, go check out Doug Bassett's report in the Review. I'll give you a quick update; the Bantams are doing amazing! With just 10 players, this team has been wiping out the competition all over their league. They have taken on bigger teams and come out victorious. They've even been short-benched multiple times throughout the season due to injuries. I predict this team is going to make us very proud during the Provincial tournament.

There are still opportunities to sponsor the team or put an ad in the booklet. It's a great way to let the visitors of our community know what is happening in Elk Point.

For all the non-profit groups and facility managers, the Town of Elk Point is organizing a stakeholders' meeting. This meeting will help the Town shape a Recreation Master Plan. It is vital we hear from all the community stakeholders. No matter the size of your organization, I need your contact information. Please email me at recreation@elkpoint.ca.



Way Back When...

Winter Games winners, offices closed, firefighting focus

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1988

Kelly Currey of the Elk Point Sliders brought home Alberta Winter Games gold in Nordic Combined, while teammate Dorothy Cardinal brought home bronze in the Ladies' Luge. Ryley Cell City Spoilers and Lloydminster All Stars took top billing at the 15th Annual Elk Point Pacers' basketball tournament.

1993

Cabinet Minister Diane Mirosh praised the efforts of MLA John Drobot when she visited Elk Point as "a man the whole legislature will listen to, and who has done well by his constituents." Elks of Canada Grand Exalted Ruler Joe Calder visited the Elk Point lodge, with guests from seven other lodges in the area as well as local Elks and OORP on hand to welcome him.

1998

Pan Canadian Petroleum announced the closure of their Elk Point and Provost offices as part of efforts to trim their heavy oil work force, with most of the 60 employees relocated to other offices, as light oil prices dropped to \$23 a barrel and Bow River heavy oil to \$14 a barrel. World class cross-country skier John Kozak, clad in his Team Canada racing suit, visited Elk Point Elementary as part of their Olympic kickoff celebrations.

2003

Ratepayers had mixed reactions regarding the purchase of a new fire truck and how to pay for it, some feeling the best move was to have the town's 24-year-old truck repaired and recertified. Firefighting was also the focus of a joint meeting of town and county councils as they hammered out a new fire agreement.

The Elk Point Review publishes a variety of opinions as a contribution to debate on matters of public concern. Unsigned editorials express the view of this newspaper's editorial board which includes the Publisher and the Editor. Signed pieces express the view of the individual writer.

2008

Elk Point Chamber of Commerce was still on the hunt for nominees for their executive, with the annual meeting just a week away. Canada Day planning was off to an early and enthusiastic start, after an excellent response to the 2007 celebration, which was combined with the town's centennial celebrations

2013

Treasurer Geoff Hyslop reported at the Annual General Meeting that the Elk Point Chamber of Commerce was going into 2013 in a good financial position, with the balance on the EcoCentre trimmed to an even \$150,000 and money still coming in from Extravaganza advertising.



NO GOAL - Goalie Erin Duffee makes another stop in the Atom B Avalanche's game against Athabasca when teams from Tofield, Cold Lake, Wainwright and St. Albert also took part in the Atoms' two day tournament.

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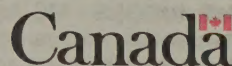
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Craziest, most exciting time of year for minor hockey

Today's story is dedicated to the memory of my dearest friend, Peggy Maas, who passed away this past weekend at 94 years old. She was the kindest person I've ever known. Her coffee was always on, and the door to her house and her heart were always open... 24/7...365 days of the year!

This is a craziest time of year for minor hockey, but also the most exciting time of the year. The provincial round robins have started and three out of our four teams are still in the running. Since they are hosting, the Bantam team are already in and will not play until the final round. They will compete for the zone title or zone rep in a few weeks from now. But our Pee wee Tier 1 team is still in the mix and played the second game of the two-game series and hopefully won against Vegreville last night. The Midgets will be playing in their second round against Smoky Lake tonight, Tuesday at 7:30 right here at the A. G. Ross Arena.

Last night's results were not available at press time, but last Tuesday night the **Pee wee Tier 1** team played in Vegreville, winning the first game of the two-game series 5 to 3. 'King Kong Konnor' Poitras leading the charge with four goals, the small but aggressive Ryan 'Ram Rod' Cameron with one. Three assists for talented 'Mick Jager' Fontaine, center Vaughn 'The Vulture' Ockerman swooping in with a helper too. The rubber band man, goalie Vanden 'Super Mario' Moroziuk played a strong game between the pipes.

On Sunday the Pee wee Tier 1 hosted Wainwright in league play, the game ending in a five-all tie. This was the first point of the year for this young team playing in the Tier 1 league. Doesn't sound like much, but believe me, it was a big deal. The last time these two teams played, the Avalanche lost 9 to 0 to

the Bisons, so you can see the obvious improvement in our team. A hat trick for 'Mick Jager', two goals for 'King Kong Konnor'. Grinding away in the corners, Cash 'Paycheque' Capjack and Landon 'the Magnificent' Malachowski with the assists. No less than 37 shots on net in this one for 'Super Mario'

who was scrambling around from side to side to shut the door. This team has come a long way from their first game in late October. Last week was a close loss to Bonnyville, this week a tie with Wainwright. So it just goes to prove that with patience and good coaching and a whole lot of determination, they may just win a league game yet this year.

Our **Pee wee 4** team has really stepped up their play lately, too. This past Saturday they hosted the Vermilion Tigers, winning 5 to 0. Two goals for the big sniper, Brady 'the Bionic Man' Hymanyk. Seth 'Motor Man' Morton, 'Bo Diddle' Fontaine and Kaleb 'Formula One' Flamand all adding to the total with singles. Two assists for 'Bazooka Joe' Cardinal. 'Wild Wyatt' Pavoll, 'Top Gunner' Crawford and Madden 'Mad Dog' Flamand also getting their noses dirty, digging the puck out and helping out with assists.

Our **Atoms** played a really strong game here too on Saturday at home against Bonnyville. Down by a score of 4 to 1 after the first period, they rallied back in the second period to tie the game at 4-all. Heading into the third period, they played their hearts out but couldn't quite hold back the Pontiacs' offense that kept coming in waves, the final score 6 to 4 for Bonnyville. Two goals for Evett 'Snoopy' Smereka. The Eveready Bunny, hard working two-way player Braylee 'Little Willy' Lesyk with a goal and an assist. And 'Hurricane Kayl' Warawa, who seems

to have gained huge confidence these last two games, with a goal and an assist. Two assists for the travelling D-man 'Cyclone Cole' Pierce. Goalie 'Good Time Charlie' Lesyk who faced 39 shots, not only did a terrific job of keeping the puck out, but he assisted on the fourth Avalanche goal with a pass up the ice. 'Good Time Charlie' likes to play the puck and is always looking to shoot it into the corner or to one of his D-men.

On Sunday the Atoms travelled to Wainwright, the game ending in a six-all tie. Who let the dogs out? Four goals for 'Snoopy' who must have been on the trail of a hot scent and tracked it right into the mesh. 'Little Willy,' who gives 110 per cent every game, with one. Defenseman 'Cyclone Cole' getting the green light with a goal and two assists. Two assists each for solid D-woman Anna 'the Banana' Henderson. Speedy center-man Kaysen 'Dynamite' DeMosssic and the smooth skating Charlotte 'Web Mail' Henderson with one assist each.

Saturday morning the little **Micro Novice** team doubled up St. Paul 8 to 4. Two goals and three assists for William 'Billy Bob' Ballas, two goals and an assist for Ryder 'the Rhino' Malo, two goals and two assists for 'Jesse James' Penner, a single for Theo 'Long Horn' Loughran and Jaxson 'Magic' Marcoux with a goal and an assist.

Our **Novice Avalanche** team won over Frog Lake 12 to 5 on Saturday at home. Hat tricks for Kale 'the Hawk' Ockerman, 'Wyatt Earp' Fontaine, and Riley 'Coyote' Bourne, Brendan 'Buzz Saw' Kadutski and Miles 'the Millionaire' Koren with a goal and an assist each. Run and gun, Remington 'Steel' Reynolds also buried one bull's eye into the target. Fore checking and stealing the puck, Jackson 'J.R.' Rawlake with a helper too. Behind the mask this week, 'Without a Trace' Morgan wasn't that busy but did an awesome job of

stopping the rubber when called upon.

It's always a good idea to have a good meal a few hours before an important game. I always found that pasta worked great for energy. I wonder if that's what his mom, Jean Ockerman fed her son the 'Batman' Evan Friday night? Why? Well he was really flying out there and scored the first four goals for the **Bantam Avalanche**, all in the first period. A natural hat trick plus one to boot!

'Lightning Liam' Ludlage must have had some too, he scored a goal and added four assists. Matthew 'Quick Draw' Quinney and Jaden 'Jet Stream' Van Maarion with a goal and an assist each, 'King Cole' Bendixen with an assist, the Avalanche winning a close one on the road in Lac La Biche 7 to 6.

Ten four good buddy! On Saturday the Bantam boys played at home winning over Lloydminster with a big 10 to 4 score. This game was getting a little chippy before it was over, which is normally the case at this level when one team gets a big lead on another team. 'Lightning Liam' and 'Danny Boy' Cardinal with two goals each, 'King Cole', 'Batman', 'Quick Draw', 'Jetstream', and Dallas 'Cowboy' Bristow all with one goal each. Setting them up from the back end, defenseman Charlie 'Chuckles' Rogal with three assists. On Sunday the boys travelled up to Cold Lake, the game ending in a six-all tie. 'Lightning Liam' lighting the lamp four times, 'King Cole' and 'Danny Boy' getting one each. 'Jetstream' with a couple of helpers. Three games and five points is pretty good, but it wouldn't happen without the solid goaltending from 'Sexy Slader' Hardcastle who has been silently plying his trade and improving all season long.

A really good weekend for the **Midget Avalanche** who played and won two games in league play and will be playing in a provincial game here tonight. (Continued on Page 6)

Super powers for parents

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Want to be a super parent? An upcoming session sponsored by the Elk Point Early Childhood Development Committee (ECDC) could help to make that happen.

Dr. Jody Carrington, who is both a mother of three and a clinical psychologist, will be at Elk Point Elementary School on Tuesday, Feb. 27 at 6:30 p.m. for a free evening session entitled 'Discover Your Parenting Super Powers,' an evening designed to get parents talking about the relationships they have with their children and how to strengthen that bond as they mature.

Dr. Carrington feels that today's children are struggling with handling their emotions and "parents need to tools to be able to know how to better help their children cope with these situations." In this session, she will deliver the tools you need to better understand why children struggle with anxiety, anger and other emotions that affect their wellbeing.

Billed as an evening of "down-to-earth inspiring stories, laughter and parenting strategies you can take home an use in your everyday lives," the session promises to be an inspiration to all who attend, according to a number of local moms who attended another of Dr. Carrington's workshops in St. Paul on Jan. 30, and who raved about it the next day at the ECDC's Clown Mingle in Elk Point. To them, it's a "You've got to come" event that is not to be missed.

Doors open at 6 p.m. and you're invited to come early for coffee and desserts before the session gets underway. Free child care during the session is available for those who pre-register by calling Kali Cousins at 780-614-7978.

Elks start next series with OT win

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Elk Point Elks started off their second round of SaskAlta Hockey League playoffs on the road, with a 2-3 overtime win against the Hillmond Hitmen on Friday night.

After a scoreless first period, Nathan Rosychuk put the Elks on the scoreboard 12 minutes into the second frame with assists from Ryley Wozniak and Christian Nypower. Team captain Jason Kalynchuk hit the twine with the second Elks goal on a power play early in the third, assisted by Rosychuk and Kam Ballas.

The Hitmen retaliated with a shorthanded goal a minute and a half later, and took advantage of a power play with just 1:19 left in regulation time to tie the score, sending the game into overtime, where Devin

Moneta scored for the Elks, assisted by Kalynchuk, for the win.

The best-of-seven series continues this week with three games, here at home on Wednesday night at 8:30 p.m. Let's pack the house and make some NOISE for the boys on Valentine date night!

The Elks will head to Hillmond on Friday for an 8 p.m. game and back to Elk Point for the fourth game of the series on Sunday at 8 p.m., with the three final games of the series scheduled for the following weekend, if required, with games Friday and Sunday in Hillmond and in Elk Point on Saturday, Feb. 25 at 8:30 p.m.

In other SaskAlta playoff action this weekend, Vermilion Rock took a two game lead over Neilburg Monarchs, while Wainwright Rustlers downed Dewberry Mustangs in two games straight.

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F. G. Miller girls second in SPAA curling finals in Two Hills

GRANT DEME
Review Contributor

The final SPAA curling championships were a sweep for St. Paul Regional High School, as the school took home all three banners from the championship bonspiel that took place in Two Hills, Feb. 9.

The girls defeated Elk Point's F. G. Miller in the finals, while the boys and the mixed teams each defeated the host Two Hills.

A total of nine teams were in the finals, three for boys, girls, and mixed.

Coach for Two Hills and SPAA Curling Commissioner Kendall Warawa said it was exciting to host the final bonspiel of the season in the small community.

"It's our first time in the new arena, and we're pretty pumped to be able to host such an event."

The boys' team for Two Hills managed to take their first game off the Saints, while the girls almost completed an improbable comeback.

The girls were trailing St. Paul 7-0 before scoring five unanswered points, but couldn't find a way to erase the deficit against the eventual champions.

Warawa says leaving as the winners of the SPAA Curling Championship is no small feat, and it should be recognized.

"It is a big event. For some of them this is the biggest that they will ever get to, or some of them this is the biggest they've had yet. So hopefully that will continue on and they will play higher and higher levels."



ELK POINT POND HOCKEY team hosted their St. Paul counterparts on Friday, and will see them again in Elk Point's upcoming tournament.

Janice Huser photo

Avalanche

(Continued from Page 5)

On Saturday the boys travelled to the Border City, winning quite easily 10 to 2 over the Blazers who were short quite a few players in this game for some reason. Two goals each for team captain 'Awesome Alex' Hunter, Austin 'Astro' Axley, and the six foot four Brody 'the Big O' Odgaard. Singles for Hayden 'Hot Wheels' Ludlage, Nick 'Sparky' Anderson, Chase 'Rink Rat' Dorey, and 'Warrior Warren' Ference. Three assists for Abe 'New Guy' Newfield. Wolke 'Wolfman' Cueva and Cyle 'Grinder' Graus

each with an assist.

On Sunday the boys played a 'Lights Out' game up in Lac La Biche. Some major problems with the power - the game was delayed four times and a few hours because of power outages and was finally called after two periods, the Avalanche winning at that point 9 to 4, the Clippers waving the white flag and surrendered the two points. The 'Big O' with four goals, 'Awesome Alex' with two, 'Sparky', 'New Guy' and 'Wolfman' with one each. 'Hot Wheels' with four assists.

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(Garry) Gulayec, Sandra (Ed)
Gushnowski & Beverly (Greg)
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Maas; 17 grandchildren; 42
great-grandchildren; 3 great-
great-grandchildren; sister,
Molly Hames; numerous
nieces & nephews. Peggy was
predeceased by her husband,
Ross in 1994; 2 sons, Barry
in 1971 & Dennis in 2002;
parents, Edwin & Rose Ward;
brother, Doug Ward; & sister,
Helen Ward. A Memorial
Service will be held on Friday,
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